

ANNUAL REPORT

— OF THE —

TOWN OFFICERS

— OF THE —



Town of Whately

— FOR THE —

Year Ending December 31, 1916

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NORTHAMPTON, MASS.

Whately Town Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Franklin ss.

To M. E. Flavin, one of the Constables of the Town of Whately, in the County of Franklin.

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Town, on Monday, the fifth day of February, at ten-o'clock A. M. then and there to act upon the following articles.

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all necessary town officers, Clerk, Selectmen, Treasurer, Auditor, one School Committeeman for three years, one Assessor for three years, one Library Trustee for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, Tax Collector, Elector under the will of Oliver Smith Esq., Three

Warden and Constables. To vote "Yes or No" on the question, "Shall License be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Article 3. To receive and act upon the reports of all officers, committees, commissioners, trustees of the town.

Article 4. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the coming year.

Article 5. To see what the town will do with the money received from the County called the Dog Fund.

Article 6. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the Public Library.

Article 7. To see if the town will raise money for Cemetery purposes.

Article 8. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1917, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Article 9. To see what action the Town will take to raise and appropriate \$50.00 for the George Washington Memorial Building, Washington, D. C.

Article 10. To see what action the town will take in the matter of raising and appropriating a sum of money, under authority of Chap. 707 Acts of 1914, to be paid the Franklin County Farm Bureau, Inc., and expended for the purpose of agricultural demonstration work.

Article 11. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair the Plain Road so called.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to raise money to co-operate with the State Highway Commission in building improved road, or to take any other action regarding improved roads that may be deemed necessary.

Article 13. To see if the town will authorize the board of selectmen to make contracts for a term of years with the Amherst Gas Co. for street lights, and take any other action thereon.

Article 14. To see if the town will accept or reject the provisions of Chap. 293, General Acts of 1916.

Article 15. To see if the town will accept or reject the provisions of Chap. 59, General Acts of 1916.

Article 16. To see if the town will accept or reject the provisions of Chap. 153, General Acts of 1916.

Article 17. To see if the town will accept or reject the provisions of Sect. 42 of Chap. 514 of the Acts of 1909 or of the provisions of Sect. 1, Chap. 240 General Acts of 1916.

Article 18 To see if the town will accept the provisions of Sec. 339 Chap. 11 of the Revised Laws of 1902 so far as relative to the election of selectmen.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at each of the Post-offices in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and make return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this thirteenth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

MONTVILLE L. CRAFTS

CLIFFORD A. HUBBARD

CLIFFORD E. WAITE

Selectmen of Whately.

Town Clerk's Report

The vital statistics for the Town of Whately
for the year 1916.

BIRTHS REGISTERED

- January 5. George Thomas to John and Antinina Baloon.
- January 12. ————Bohonairtz to Peter and Mary Karabin.
- January 21. ————Kalstask to Stanley and Adelia Siliska.
- January 30. Francis Farok to Frank A. and Margaret Kowalezyk.
- February 13. John Dynok to Peter and Ludwick Dynok.
- February 16. Tadeusz Pohalski to Stanley and Nellie Worsh.
- March 11. ————Goleski to Wali and Annie Zalefski.
- March 14. Walter Anderson Bardwell to Walter A. and Evelyn Anderson.

March 15. John Rogaleski to Stanley and Annie Kornatska.

March 22. ———Orlanik to John and Katie Mikolik.

March 26. Stanley Matskoski to John and Annie Vaehola.

March 29. Frederick Faruck to Mike and Katie Boots.

April 1. Albert Webber McClellan to Randolph A. and Harriett Webber.

May 3. Leona Belatsky to Alexander and Annie Sokolosky.

May 7. Stanley Loukofski to Mike and Lizzie Laperkofska.

May 20. ———Borowski to Frank and Mary Marchoffska.

June 2. Francis Kolakowski to Adolph and Caroline Dubiel.

June 8. Anthony Kalentik to John and Mary Anaslrisk.

June 28. ———Zwigaitis to Ignis and Helen Galenboski.

July 2. Mary Mayeffski to Signiond and Bronislava Wachelefska.

July 10. Helen Kopinski to John and Valeria Orloska.

July 15. Henry Joseph Mayeffski to Joseph and Josephine Wachelefska.

July 18. ——— Samsel to Enik and Frances Salesoska.

August 4. Michael River to Michael and Parauka Romonanitch.

1915.

August 10 Elizabeth Marie Flynn to Thos. J. and Elizabeth Lucy Merrick.

1916.

August 11. Alice Serowek to Farston and Mihalena Konatski.

August 25. Lawrence Dickinson to Wm. Leroy and Emma Frances Nash.

August 25. ——— Pelock to Peter and Julia Kavonatska.

September 11. Lisewski to Stanley and Rosie Romatski.

September 18. Joseph Yestrumski to George and Petronella Savitski.

September 26. George Lewis Crafts to Murray F. and George B. Wagner.

September 27. Annie Adamski to Joseph and Lena Moleska.

October 1. Regina Barocofski to Andrew and Jennie Vechkopki.

October 2. Frank Wisocki to Victor and Cecelia Korpetska.

October 5. Charles Francis McClellan to Albert and Olive G. Bardwell.

- October 26. ——— Kagonis to Adam and Mary Raetan.
- November 15. Wadislaw Aloski to William and Wadislava Gorska.
- November 16. Morris Nicholas Heafey to Thos. J. and Mary Agnes Shea.
- November 23. ——— Habarowski to Joseph and Mary Vans.
- December 4. Mary Kovalski to Dan and Mary Dinka.
- December 17. Minnie Litosinsky to Frank and Julia Majiencivick.
- December 31. ——— Farck to Frank and Maggie Koodezyk.

Comparison table of births for the last five years.

1912	1913	1914	1915	1916
33	37	48	44	43

MARRIAGES REGISTERED.

- February 28 Homer L. Crafts, 37; Mary Oakes Jones, 32.
- March 19. Almin J. Coddling, 55; Emily L. Denton, 56.
- April 5. William Connelly, 60; Ida L. Graves, 55.
- April 12. Stanley Howard Nash, 24; Alice Nellie Stripp, 29.

May 8. Sam Gologan, 25; Bronislawya Junewska, 21.

May 23. John Sewezyk, 25; Katy Sifjeck, 21.

September 18. Frank Savoy, 33; Margaret Sullivan, 29.

Comparison table of marriages for the last five years.

1912	1913	1914	1915	1916
13	14	14	16	7

DEATHS REGISTERED.

		Y.	M.	D.
January 11.	Victor Wysocki		10	18
January 17.	Frank Dishkovitch		4	21
January 21.	———Kalstoski			10m
January 23	William Fisher	65	5	8
+ January 28.	Fidelia A. Bardwell	68	9	2
February 29.	Tryphena S. Higgins	62	4	13
March 14.	Michael Bohonarty		2	3
March 17.	Nellie Gorman			23
March 21.	———Royetski		Still born	
+ March 22.	Leslie Edw. Waite	41	10	25
March 25.	Sarah Elizabeth Morton	80		
April 6.	Anna Ward Seymour	65	8	11
April 9.	Adolph Vinski		3	
April 23.	Daniel Pouholski		2	7

May 12.	Juliaette M. Bardwell	74	6	24
June 2.	John Brunkard	67		
June 9.	Frances Augustas Allis	3	6	22
June 12.	Hiram Bardwell	73	8	8
August 8.	Lawrence Dickinson			4
September 14.	Colesper Smith	1	1	24
October 1.	Thomas A. Gass	1	6	14
October 6.	Cecelia K. Wysocki	32		
November 23	———— Babarowski			Still born
December 11.	Anna V. Kadz	78		
December 27.	Leona S. Gorski	23	6	

Comparison table of deaths for the past five years.

1912	1913	1914	1915	1916
19	18	14	19	25

If any mistakes have been made in the above record, either in name or date, if those interested will inform the Clerk of the fact the records will be corrected.

DOGS

The number of dogs licensed during the year ending Dec. 31 1916, with receipts and settlements of the account with the County Treasurer, is as follows:

24 Male Dogs at \$2.00	\$48.00
12 Spayed Female Dogs at \$2.00	24.00
3 Female Dogs at \$5.00	15.00
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Total Tax	\$87.00
Less fees, 39 Dogs at 20c	7.80
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Paid E. A. Newcomb County Treasurer	\$79.20

Comparison table for the last five years.

1912	1913	1914	1915	1916
\$108.00	\$102.60	\$102.60	\$97.20	\$79.20

HISTORIES OF WHATELY

I hereby submit my eighteenth annual report as agent of the Town for the Histories of Whately.

Number of books on hand, as per last report	365
Number of books sold	5
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Balance of books on hand	360

Financial Statement

Received from sale of books,	\$5.00
Paid Howard R. Waite, Treasurer,	\$5.00

HERBERT E. ROOTE,

Town Clerk.

Collector's Report

M. E. FLAVIN, Collector, in account with
Town of Whately

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes of 1914,	\$	3.73
Uncollected Taxes of 1915,		3345.26
1916 Tax		
State Tax,	\$1,440.00	
County Tax,	1,668.75	
Town Grant,	16,795.00	
State Highway Rep.,	194.50	
Overlayings,	410.86	
Brown Tail Moth	9.95	
Street Railway Excise Tax,	370.49	
Interest on Taxes collected,	128.03	21,017.58
Total		<u>\$24,366.57</u>

Cr.

Cash paid H. R. Waite, Treasurer, for 1915	
Taxes,	\$ 3,210.83
Cash paid H. R. Waite, Treasurer, for 1916	
Taxes,	15,622.46

Cash paid H. R. Waite, Treasurer for Interest 1915,	89.14
Cash paid H. R. Waite, Treasurer, for Interest 1916,	38.89
Abatement of 1915 Tax,	40.00
Abatement of 1916 Tax,	9.54
Uncollected taxes, 1914,	3.73
Uncollected taxes, 1915,	94.43
Uncollected taxes, 1916,	5,257.55
Total Cr.	<hr/> \$24,366.57

Treasurer's Report

HOWARD R. WAITE, Treasurer, in account with
the Town of Whately

Receipts

1916

March	2.	To cash from Rylan C. Howes, ex-treasurer,	-\$ 2,019.03
March	2.	To cash from R. C. Howes, M. E. Flavin, taxes, 1915,	786.17
March	2.	To cash from R. C. Howes, C. L. Burrill, Mass. School Fund,	902.62
March	2.	To cash from R. C. Howes, C. L. Burrill, Highway com- mission,	105.64
March	2.	To cash from R. C. Howes, E. C. Newcombe, Co. Treas., Dog fund,	62.90
March	2.	To cash from C. D. Parker & Co., Inc., temporary loan,	10,000.00
March	3.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1915,	943.59

March 14.	To cash from C. L. Burrill, State Treas., corp. tax., public service,	6.40
March 14.	To cash from C. L. Burrill, State Treas., Street rail- way tax,	174.54
March 28.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1915,	620.93
April 12.	To cash from South Deerfield water district taxes, 1915,	2.56
April 13.	To cash from C. L. Burrill, State Treas., transporta- tion of paupers,	2.68
May 1.	To cash from John M. Dineen, liquor license,	250.00
May 4.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1915,	208.26
May 26.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1915,	102.97
June 3.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1915,	45.41
June 9.	To cash from M. E. Flovin, Collector, taxes, 1915,	239.57
June 30.	To cash from C. D. Parker & Co. Inc., interest on tempora- ry loan,	62.50
July 6.	To cash from C. L. Burrill, State Treas., Industrial schools,	288.88
July 10.	To cash from J. A. Mitchell, Boston City Auditor, schools,	60.00

July 19.	To cash from Wm. S. Allen, court fines, Chas. Houski,	50.00
July 22.	To cash from C. L. Burrill, State Treas., Inspection of animals,	12.00
October 9.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1915,	150.00
October 9.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1916,	2,333.32
October 13.	To cash from Northampton Water Works, taxes, 1915,	133.94
October 13.	To cash from Northampton Water Works, interest on taxes, 1915,	7.38
October 16.	To cash from South Deerfield Water Works, taxes, 1916,	4.24
October 23.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1916,	2,464.30
October 30.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1916,	3,218.37
November 10.	To cash from James Camp- bell, Treas., School Supt.,	172.87
November 14.	To cash from C. L. Burrill, State Treas., corp. tax, public service,	191.42
November 14.	To cash from C. L. Burrill, State Treas., National bank tax,	441.46
November 14.	To cash from C. L. Burrill, State Treas., Tuition of Children,	25.50

November 14.	To cash from C. L. Burrill, State Treas., State Aid,	148.00
November 17.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Northampton Water tax,	228.99
November 17.-	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1915,	38.24
November 17.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, interest on taxes, 1915,	86.13
November 17.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1916,	2,485.61
November 30.	To cash from C. L. Burrill, State Treas., High School transportation,	95.75
December 11.	To cash from Betsey Waite, cemetery fund, 1916,	6.24
December 11.	To cash from Calvin Loom- is, cemetery fund, 1916,	4.04
December 11.	To cash from Geo. W. and Asa J. Crafts, cemetery fund, 1916,	4.04
December 11.	To cash from Mary Wells, cemetery fund, 1916,	3.62
December 13.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1916,	1,502.80
December 15.	To cash from C. L. Burrill, State Treas., street rail- way tax,	179.72
December 15.	To cash from C. L. Burrill, State Treas., corporation tax,	5.74

December 20.	To cash from C. L. Burrill, State Treas., Instruction in schools,	94.09
December 22.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1916,	1,304.60
December 22.	To cash from Wm. S. Allen, Court fines,	100.00
December 29.	To cash from Thomas J. Coffey, East Whately School site,	125.00
December 29.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1915,	23.22
December 29.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1916,	1,002.02
December 30.	To cash from H. E. Roote, Clerk, five town histories,	5.00
December 30.	To cash from F. T. Bard- well, part of interest on Mary Dickinson ceme- tery fund,	72.62
December 30.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1916,	1,309.42
December 30.	To cash from Arlene I. Roote, library fines,	3.55
December 30.	To cash from E. W. Wood, sealer weights and meas- ures,	15.00
December 30.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1915,	52.47
December 30.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, Interest on taxes, 1915,	3.01

December 30.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, taxes, 1916,	2.02
December 30.	To cash from M. E. Flavin, Collector, interest on taxes, 1916,	38.89
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		\$35,029.28

BILLS PAID

Outstanding Orders,	\$3,324.75
Old Bills,	8.25
Contingent,	961.07
State Aid,	156.00
Poor,	871.11
Highways,	977.76
Electric Lights,	615.06
Library,	134.22
Bridges and Culverts,	2.00
Fighting Fires,	.80
East Whately School House,	4,786.03
Cemeteries,	155.08
Interest,	1,001.16
School House Bonds,	2,500.00
Liquor License,	62.50
County Tax,	1,668.75
State Tax,	1,440.00
State Highways,	194.50
Temporary Loans,	8,000.00
Town Officers,	245.00
Schools,	5,593.69
Balance,	2,331.55
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	\$35,029.28

We, the undersigned, Selectmen and Auditor, of the Town of Whately, Mass., have, this day examined the books of the Treasurer, Hōward R. Waite, and find in his possession and due said Town of Whately, Mass., the sum of two thousand, three hundred, thirty-one and 55 | 100 dollars, as of the year 1916.

\$2,331.55 MONTVILLE L. CRAFTS,
CLIFFORD A. HUBBARD,

CLIFFORD E. WAITE,

Selectmen of Whately.

LYMAN A. CRAFTS, Auditor.

Selectmen's Report

In submitting our annual report, we would call your attention to the fact that although the appropriation for highways, bridges and culverts was considerably smaller than in years past, we have been able to keep within the same besides having sufficient plank for the coming year.

Much credit is due Mr. Lemuel Graves for the efficient work of his tractor, and we recommend its use for the coming year.

There has been more expended in the Poor Department, owing to contagious diseases both of our town and one case out of town which had a settlement here, and it was thought best to place these cases in the hospital but arrangements have been made for reimbursement to the town during the coming year.

We would suggest a somewhat larger appropriation for highways for the coming year as well as an appropriation to be used in co-operation with the State Highway Commission under the Small Town Act.

HIGHWAY

Mike Duda, Labor,	1.25
Dennis Bunkard, Breaking Roads,	3.00
Morris Powers, Breaking Roads,	9.50
T. J. Heafey, Breaking Roads,	6.00
Fred W. Bardwell, Breaking Roads,	1.12
Waite & Strippe, Breaking Roads,	4.74
H. A. Sharpe, Breaking Roads,	.70
Edward Powers, Breaking Roads,	3.00
Morris Powers, Breaking Roads,	16.50
T. J. Heafey, Breaking Roads,	22.75
Dennis Brunkard, Breaking Roads,	13.50
Watie & Strippe, Breaking Roads,	15.98
C. E. Waite, Breaking Roads,	10.89
Fred W. Bardwell, Breaking Roads,	7.45
L. H. Allis, Breaking Roads,	23.00
Geo. Sanderson, Breaking Roads,	7.50
Fred B. Bardwell, Breaking Roads,	1.07
Geo. Moore, Breaking Roads,	4.64
Wm. Koucal, Breaking Roads,	2.00
Watson Bardwell, Breaking Roads,	1.17
Lucien Moody, Breaking Roads,	1.56
Sally Stefance, Breaking Roads,	.50
Fred Smith, Breaking Roads,	.50
Lemmie Sanderson, Breaking Roads,	.58
H. A. Sharpe, Breaking Roads,	2.04
M. L. Crafts, Labor on Lane Hill,	4.50
Alex Bamanski, Labor on Lane Hill,	6.25
Hiram Dickinson, Labor on Lane Hill,	6.75
Henry Johnson, Labor Lane Hill,	7.65

F. O. Scott, Labor Lane Hill,	16.00
W. P. Crafts, Labor Lane Hill,	8.50
D. L. Crafts & Son, Labor Lane Hill,	25.00
Mrs. Helen Crafts, Labor 160 loads gravel,	29.00
Daniel Dickinson, Labor Lane Hill,	12.50
James Carey, Labor Lane Hill,	5.00
F. L. Graves, Labor Lane Hill,	2.63
Lemuel Graves, Labor Lane Hill,	4.87
A. H. Beers, Labor Lane Hill,	2.25
Alex Demixiki, Highway labor,	4.00
Alex Cukoyski, Highway labor,	4.00
Stanley Feteroiski, 50 loads sand,	5.00
Wells Smith, 4 loads Turf,	.40
Dennis Brunkard, Labor,	9.00
Morris Powers, Labor,	9.00
A. J. Coddling, Railing and labor,	3.52
John Westergran, Roller and Sprinkler,	33.00
Waite & Strippe, Labor,	30.50
W. W. Sanderson, Labor,	5.00
F. S. Bardwell, Labor,	6.00
Stanley Karpinski, Labor,	5.00
Wilbur Grover, Labor,	51.75
W. L. Dickinson, Labor,	12.00
Edwin Graves, Labor,	6.25
Tom Miscoritch, Labor,	4.00
Henry Morey, Labor,	1.80
Horatio Powling, Labor,	1.40
Frank Saloriski, Labor,	2.00
J. A. Wood, Labor,	3.00
John Mecloski, Labor,	2.00
D. L. Crafts & Son,	18.50

M. E. Manning, Labor,	5.00
C. A. Hubbard, Labor,	50.20
Fred Smith, Labor,	1.96
Lucien Moody, Labor,	9.75
E. E. Sanderson, Labor,	14.43
Daniel Dickinson, Labor,	4.33
Chas. Field, Labor,	2.00
Franklin Co. Jail, 125 Posts,	18.75
O. E. Morton, Labor,	6.48
A. H. Beers, Labor,	2.00
E. W. Bardwell, Labor,	5.60
Lemuel Graves, Labor, Tractor,	156.50
D. L. Crafts & Son, Labor,	6.50
Lemmie Sanderson, Labor,	42.50
Lyman Sanderson, 50 loads gravel,	5.00
Alex Kuliea, Labor,	1.00
Wilbur Grover, Labor,	47.00
A. E. Graves, 49 loads gravel,	4.90
Fred Smith, Labor,	6.00
J. E. Waite, 7 loads gravel,	.70
H. A. Sharpe, Labor,	11.10
Joseph Zaskey, Labor and Fencing,	11.75
Waite & Strippe, Labor,	71.28
Peter Symeniska, 16 Posts,	2.40
Fred Smith, Labor,	.50
Wilbur Grover, Labor,	34.50
Wm. Koucal, Labor,	16.00
M. E. Manning, Labor and Cement,	6.65
C. A. Hubbard, Labor,	16.00
Dan Vovolski, Labor,	4.00
Morris Powers, Labor,	6.00

W. P. Crafts, Labor,	4.43
Fred T. Bardwell, Labor,	22.62
F. L. Graves, Labor, Repairs on Scraper,	8.35
C. H. Pease, Cement,	2.88
M. E. Flavin, Labor,	20.00
Robert Dickinson, Labor,	6.13
Wm. E. Ward, Railing,	29.61
Emerson Warner, 6400 ft. Plank, at \$22.00	140.80
Lucien Moody, Labor,	1.00
Waite & Strippe, Labor,	13.00
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	\$1328.56

BRIDGES AND CULVERTS

M. E. Manning, Cement,	2.00
New England Metal Culvert Co.,	31.92
Ralph Graves, Labor,	1.50
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	\$35.42

Material on hand,
 4000 ft. Bridge Plank,
 4 Metal Culverts,

CONTINGENT

Herald Job Print, Town Reports, Ballots, Printing,	108.20
H. E. Roote, Expense to Boston, Tel., Express,	12.12
H. E. Roote, Hall Mdse.,	1.45
Herald Job Print, Envelopes for Treasurer,	3.61
W. & L. E. Gurley, Sealer's Supplies,	4.10
Howard Waite, Billings Fire Watch,	2.00
F. S. Bardwell, Billings Fire Watch,	2.00

Howard Waite, 500 Stamped Envelopes,	
Rec. Book,	13.57
F. O. Scott, Wood,	13.00
Frank Woodward, Collectors' and Clerks'	
Bond,	16.50
W. A. Arnstein, Treasurers' Bond,	15.00
Robert Dickinson, Inspecting and Quarantining cattle,	48.00
P. B. Murphy, Dog Licenses,	1.40
A. M. Allen, Storing Fire Engine,	5.00
M. L. Crafts, Tel. & Express on Reports,	1.73
M. L. Crafts, Cash pd. Express Com. to Highway Com.	15.00
C. L. Ross, Lantern,	1.00
F. S. Bardwell, Labor, Karpinski Fire,	8.00
Murray Crafts, Labor in Hall,	4.00
R. C. Howes, Brown Tail Moth Labor,	12.65
Chas. Gettenny, Certification Town note,	2.00
E. A. Hall & Co., Printing Board of Health,	25.10
Cecil T Bagnell, Selectmen's Order Book,	8.00
Fred La Planche, Davis Fire Watch,	5.00
Mason Allen, Davis Fire Watch,	2.50
H. E. Roote, Hall Mdse.,	7.99
O. E. Morton, Hall Repairs,	7.85
Cecil T. Bagnell, Assessor's Supplies,	4.70
A. H. Beers, Surveying—Assessors,	7.00
A. H. Beers, Labor for Tree Warden,	4.00
A. M. Allen, Labor at Davis Fire,	6.25
Edward Allis, Repairs on Buggy & Harness,	5.15
Arthur Dickinson Repairs on Auto,	5.00
Johnson Bookstore, Assessor's Books,	3.90

Jasper Kautz, 12 das. Special Officer "Infantile Polio,"	30.00
Herald Job Print, 500 Meat Tags,	3.75
Chas. H. Field, Searching Records & Supplies,	4.50
S. D. Conant, Esq., Putnam vs. Whately,	425.00
S. D. Conant, Esq., Services & Expenses for above	83.30
Mrs. Helen Crafts, Wood,	15.00
Hobbs & Warren, Stationery,	1.73
S. A. Wood, Meat Inspector,	19.75
R. C. Howes, Expense to Boston, Assessors,	10.00
E. S. Prescott, Protectograph,	15.00
Herald Job Print, Primaries & Election Material,	12.00
Town of Sunderland, Repairs on Bridge,	47.66
S. A. Wood, Bal. Meat Inspection, 1916,	15.00
J. B. Bridges, Sheriff fees,	34.10
M. W. Carroll, Sheriff fees,	15.55
Cecil T. Bagnell Stationery, Tax Coll.,	6.03
Robert Dickinson, Repairs on Auto,	8.00
Southborough Print, 300 Moth notices,	1.90
H. E. Roote, Mdse., Hall,	12.07
H. E. Roote, Births, Marriages, Deaths, Justice fees, Transcript of Votes,	34.91
Dr. Suitor, Returning Births,	.50
Dr. Moline, Returning Births,	6.75
Dr. Doyle, Returning Births,	.50
Dr. Byrne, Returning Births,	.25
Dr. Bonneville, Returning Births,	.25
Dr. Holden, Returning Births,	1.75
M. E. Flavin, Dog Officer & Constable,	10.00

E. W. Wood, Janitor & Ringing Bell,	25.00
Irving Allis, Water Tank, Hall Water,	15.00
Fred Bardwell, Water Tank,	10.00
Lyman Crafts, Water Tank,	10.00
John Dau, Water Tank,	5.00
Geo. Sanderson, Water Tank,	5.00
F. O. Scott, Bamanski Fire Watch,,	2.50
Hiram Dickinson Bamanski Fire Watch,	2.50
R. C. Howes, Services as Elector,	10.00
S. A. Wood, Special Officer "Infantile polio,"	2.50
Chas. Gettenny, Certification Town Note,	2.00
Howard Waite, Tel. & Stamps,	2.40

\$1,289.92

OLD BILLS

Fred Smith, Fighting Fire,	1.25
A. L. Adkins, Fighting Fire, Hanging Lantern,	7.00
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	8.25

FIGHTING FIRE

Morris Powers,	.80
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LIBRARY

Orders have been drawn amounting to	164.22
See report.	

POOR

The expense for the poor for the past year has

been as follows: 891.71

To be reimbursed, 324.50

\$567.21

CEMETERY

Orders have been drawn amounting to 185.58

See report.

The incomes of the following gifts are to be used for Cemetery purposes.

Miss Betsey Waite, \$100.00, deposited in the Easthampton Savings Bank, the income to be used in caring for her father's lot in the West Cemetery.

Miss Mary Dickinson, \$1000.00 secured by mortgage after caring for the three Dickinson lots in the Center Cemetery in a becoming manner, the remaining unused income to be used in general improvement of the Center Cemetery.

Mr. Calvin Loomis, \$100.00, deposited in Easthampton Savings Bank, the income to be used for perpetual care of his lot in Center Cemetery.

Mrs. Amanda Dickinson, \$100.00 deposited in Easthampton Savings Bank the income to be used for the care of her father's and brother's lots in Center Cemetery.

Mrs. Mary Wells, \$90.00 deposited in the Easthampton Savings Bank, the income to be used for the perpetual care of the Mrs. Almira Jewett lot in Center Cemetery.

STATE AID

Edward E. Sanderson,	48.00
Lucien Moody,	60.00
Mrs. Jane Crafts,	48.00
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	\$156.00

ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

Amherst Gas Co., St. Lights, to Jan. 1, 1917,	820.00
Amherst Gas Co., Town Hall, Dec. 19, 1916,	28.21
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	\$848.21
To be reimbursed for Depot light,	20.00
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	\$828.21

EAST WHATELY SCHOOL HOUSE

J. L. Heafey, Grading,	15.00
Stanley Lackiski, Labor,	.88
Mike Rava, Labor,	5.25
Alex Socoloski, Labor,	4.38
Edward Quinn, Labor,	.88
Dennis Brunkard, Labor,	4.38
W. & Henry McLean, Bal. due, Architects,	113.25
Green Furniture Co., Window Shades,	34.00

H. C. Ashcraft, Paint & Labor,	46.00
Mutual Plumbing & Heating,	1,587.99
E. R. Connelly, Bal. on Contract less \$100.00	2,839.02
Rumery & Fay, Bal. on Fixtures,	35.00
E. R. Connelly, Bal. on Contract,	100.00
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	\$4,786.03

SUNDRIES

School House Bonds

C. D. Parker & Co., Center Bond, No. 7.,	500.00
C. D. Parker & Co., East Bond, No. 1.,	2,000.00
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	\$2,500.00

INTEREST

C. D. Parker & Co., Temp. Loan, 3%	245.83
Charlestown Savings Bank, Semi-Int., East	
School Bonds,	240.00
C. D. Parker & Co, Semi-Int., Center School	
Bonds,	80.00
F. S. Mosely & Co., 1 East School Bonds,	40.00
County Savings Bank, Emergency Highway,	
1915	40.00
C. D. Parker & Co., Emergency Highway,	52.67
Charlestown Savings Bank, Int. East School	
Bonds,	200.00
C. D. Parker & Co., Int. Center School Bonds,	70.00
C. D. Parker & Co., Int., Temp. Loan,	32.66
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	\$1,001.16

LIQUOR LICENSE

State Treasurer, License,	62.50
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COUNTY TAX

Eugene A. Newcombe,	1,668.75
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TEMPORARY LOANS

C. D. Parker & Co., Emergency Highway, 1915,	\$2,000.00
C. D. Parker & Co., Temp. Loan, 1916,	\$6,000.00
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	\$8,000.00

STATE TAX

State Treasurer,	\$1,440.00
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STATE HIGHWAY REPAIRS

State Treasurer,	\$194.50
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TOWN OFFICERS

Montville L. Crafts, Selectman,	150.00
Clifford A. Hubbard, Selectman,	75.00
Clifford E. Waite, Selectman,	75.00
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	\$300.00

TOWN CLERK

Herbert E. Roote,	40.00
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TREASURER

Howard R. Waite,	100.00
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AUDITOR

Lyman A. Crafts,	30.00
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ASSESSORS

Rylan C. Howes,	86.50
Chas. H. Field,	83.50
Edward R. Connelly,	52.50
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	\$222.50

TAX COLLECTOR

M. E. Flavin, 1915 Taxes,	150.00
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REGISTRARS

Montville L. Crafts,	15.00
Herbert E. Roote,	15.00
Clifford A. Hubbard,	15.00
Clifford E. Waite,	15.00
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	\$60.00

BALLOT OFFICERS

Homer L. Crafts, 2 Primaries, 1 Election,	6.00
M. E. Flavin, 2 Primaries, 1 Election,	6.00
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	\$12.00

SEALER

E. W. Wood,	20.00
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	\$934.50

RECAPITULATION OF ORDERS DRAWN BY SELECTMEN

Highway,	\$1,328.56
Contingent,	1,289.92
Old Bills,	8.25
Bridges & Culverts,	35.42
Fighting Fire,	.80
Library,	164.22
Poor,	891.71
Electric Lights,	848.21
State Aid,	156.00
East Whately School House,	4,786.03
Cemetery,	185.58
School House Bonds,	2,500.00
Interest,	1,001.16
Liquor License	62.50
County Tax,	1,668.75
Temporary Loans,	8,000.00
State Tax,	1,440.00
State Highway Repairs,	194.50
Town Officers,	934.50
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	\$25,496.11

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN, DEC. 30, 1916.

Selectmen's Orders outstanding unpaid,	\$1,716.82
School Orders, outstanding, unpaid,	490.24
Temporary Loan, 1916 due Feb. 21, 1917,	4,000.00
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	\$6,207.06

CENTER SCHOOL BONDS

No. 8 due July 1, 1917,	\$500.00
No. 9 due July 1, 1918,	500.00
No. 10 due July 1, 1919,	500.00
No. 11 due July 1, 1920,	500.00
No. 12 due July 1, 1921,	500.00
No. 13 due July 1, 1922,	500.00
No. 14 due July 1, 1923,	500.00
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	\$3,500.00

EAST SCHOOL BONDS

No. 2 due July 1, 1917,	\$2,000.00
No. 3 due July 1, 1918,	2,000.00
No. 4 due July 1, 1919,	2,000.00
No. 5 due July 1, 1920,	2,000.00
No. 6 due July 1, 1921,	2,000.00
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	\$10,000.00

ASSETS OF THE TOWN

Due from State for State Aid,	\$ 156.00
Due from Poor Department,	324.50
Uncollected Taxes, 1914,	3.73
Uncollected Taxes, 1915,	94.43
Uncollected Taxes, 1916,	5,257.55
St. Lgt. at Depot,	20.00
Due Interest, Mary Dickinson Cemetery Fund,	62.38
Cash in Treasury, Dec. 30, 1916,	2,331.55
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	\$8,250.14

TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall,	\$ 5,000.00
Derrick, two road machines,	300.00
Three School Houses,	18,000.00
Safes, furniture in Hall and Library,	400.00
Store House,	100.00
Two chemical engines,	400.00
Library and Supreme Court decisions,	1,000.00
One small road machine,	40.00
Six small safes,	230.00
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	\$25,470.00

Respectfully submitted,

MONTVILLE L. CRAFTS,
 CLIFFORD A. HUBBARD,
 CLIFFORD E. WAITE,

Selectmen.

Auditor's Report

I have this day examined the accounts of the Treasurer, Tax Collector, Selectmen and School Committee for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1916, and hereby certify that all payments have been made upon the order of the Selectmen, or School Committee and that there is in the hands of Howard R. Waite, Treasurer, and due the Town, Two Thousand, Three Hundred Thirty-one and 55-100. (\$2,331.55), it being the balance as of that date.

Total of orders drawn by Selectmen,	\$25,496.11
Total of orders drawn by School Committee,	6,083.93
Total of orders paid Selectmen,	\$23,779.29
Total of orders paid School Committee,	5,593.69
Total of orders outstanding Selectmen,	1,716.82
Total of orders outstanding School Committee,	490.24
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	\$31,580.04 \$31,580.04

Treasurer is charged with

Cash in treasury, Dec. 31,	
1915,	\$ 2,019.03
Receipts from various	
sources,	33,010.25

And credited with payments of:

Old outstanding orders,	\$ 3,324.75
Selectmen's orders,	23,779.29
School Committee orders,	5,593.69
Cash in Treasury, Dec. 31,	
1916,	2,331.55

\$35,029.28 \$35,029.28

Uncollected Taxes, Dec. 31, 1916, Taxes of

1914, 3.73

Uncollected Taxes, Dec. 31, 1916, Taxes of

1915, 94.43

Uncollected Taxes, Dec. 31, 1916, Taxes of

1916, 5,257.55

Total of uncollected Taxes, \$5,355.71

Total of unpaid or outstanding orders, \$2,207.06

LYMAN A. CRAFTS, Auditor.

Whately, Jan. 15th, 1917.

Report of Library Trustees

RESOURCES

Town Appropriation,	\$100.00
Dog Fund for 1916, as returned,	62.90
Library fines,	3.55
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	\$166.45

EXPENDITURES

FitzGerald Book Co., Books,	26.12
Johnson's Bookstore, Books,	29.06
Bridgman & Lyman, Books,	10.29
Mrs. Julia Crafts, Magazines,	19.75
Herald Job Print, 2000 Gummed Labels,	6.00
Arlene I. Roote, Salary & Cleaning,	49.00
Florence Wood, Salary, Branch Library,	12.00
Grace Bardwell, Salary, Branch Library,	5.00
Argie Strippe, Salary, Branch Library,	7.00
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	\$164.22
Balance	2.23

The State has given 35 new books during the year besides those purchased by the trustees.

We hope the same appropriation may be made for 1917.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD W. WOOD,

JOHN H. PEASE,

WILLIAM G. STRIPPE,

Trustees.

Cemetery Commissioner's Report

Resources

Town appropriation,	\$75.00
Calvin Loomis Fund,	4.04
Mary Wells Fund,	3.62
G. W. & A. J. Crafts Fund,	4.04
Betsey Waite Fund,	6.24
Mary Dickinson Fund,	72.62
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	\$165.56

Expenditures

L. F. Crafts, Labor in Center,	44.00
John Finn, Labor & Mowing Center,	40.00
John Finn, Fgt.,	2.60
F. L. Graves, Labor on Hearse & Wheelbarrow,	10.50
Heath & Company, Trees,	45.25
Lucien Moody, Labor, West,	33.23
Irving Allis, Water rent,	10.00
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	\$185.58

We would ask for a somewhat larger appropriation for 1917 than we had for the past year, owing to needed repairs on the fence in East Cemetery and the repainting of the hearse.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. FINN,

LUCIEN MOODY,

JOHN H. PEASE,

Commissioners,

Report of School Committee

Our new school building in East Whately is proving quite satisfactory, but the school grounds have never been properly graded by the building committee and this should be attended to during the coming year.

We have spent about \$225.00 on the West Whately building and grounds during the past year making some much needed repairs which have been postponed years before on account of a change of site being under consideration.

The enrollment of our school has nearly doubled during the last five years.

We would recommend an appropriation of \$4,300 for the coming year.

A. H. BEERS,

J. A. WOOD,

L. C. SANDERSON,

School Committee.

RESOURCES

Appropriation,	\$4,000.00
Mass. School Fund,	902.62
Superintendent's Salary,	150.00
State wards,	94.09
Tuition state wards,,	25.50
High School transportation,	95.75
Boston City wards,	60.00
Industrial Schools,	288.88
State reimbursement, Supt. salary,	172.87
Overdrawn,	293.21

\$6,083.92

EXPENDITURES

Teachers and Supervisors,	\$2,565.60
Books and Supplies,	211.05
Care of School Houses,	490.95
Fuel,	402.53
Tuition,	835.63
High School Transportation,	213.50
Grammar School Transportation,	339.60
Ordinary Repairs,	308.63
Superintendent & Truant Officer,	275.32
School Committee and Census,	113.00
Promotion of Health,	62.50
Miscellaneous,	265.62

\$6,083.93

TEACHERS

Cecile Carpenter,	\$458.40
Rose McNaught,	436.20
Clara Campbell,	168.00
Sarah Harris,	387.00
Mary Driscoll,	350.00
Fannie Hosmer,	397.00
Asenath Landers,	80.00
Belle Bullis,	180.00
Teachers' Retirement,	109.00
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	\$2,565.60

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Norman Eddy,	\$ 7.86
J. A. Sullivan,	1.00
Northfield Press,	2.10
Silver Burdett & Co.,	1.92
J. L. Hammett & Co.,	129.28
H. E. Roote,	42.50
D. C. Heath,	4.12
Ginn & Co.,	4.00
Greenfield Recorder,	8.50
A. H. Beers, Express,	1.25
J. A. Wood, Express,	4.17
R. C. Howes, Supplies,	3.10
F. H. Brown Co.,	1.25
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	\$211.05

CARE OF SCHOOL HOUSES

J. P. Manwell,	\$ 30.55
Emory Sanderson,	10.00
J. A. Wood,	260.45
R. C. Howes,	150.55
Roy Sanderson,	6.00
S. A. Wood,	24.50
Mrs. Wm. Koncal,	1.50
A. H. Beers,	7.40

 \$490.95

FUEL

Mrs. F. A. Crafts,	\$333.56
Henry Guyette,	12.50
M. L. Crafts,	11.25
L. C. Warner,	14.75
A. H. Beers,	18.97
M. E. Manning,	2.50
Thomas Heafey,	9.00

 \$402.53

TUITION

Town of Hatfield,	\$155.17
Town of Williamsburg,	25.00
City of Springfield,	57.50
City of Northampton,	227.50
Smith's Agricultural School,	370.46

 \$835.63

TRANSPORTATION

Grammar Schools

Conn. Valley St. Ry. Co.,	\$ 45.60	
L. C. Sanderson,	84.00	
A. J. Coddington,	200.00	
Geo. E. Sanderson,	10.00	
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High Schools

Victor D. Bardwell,	\$60.00	
M. T. Morton,	27.50	
J. A. Wood,	38.50	
C. L. Ross,	49.00	
F. L. Graves,	27.50	
L. E. Waite,	11.00	
	<hr/>	\$213.50

ORDINARY REPAIRS

Otis Hagar,	\$68.94	
L. C. Sanderson,	24.45	
Wm. Koncal,	5.00	
T. E. Sanderson,,	1.75	
E. W. Bardwell,	21.00	
Frank Bardwell,	5.50	
James Pierce,,	1.20	
La Fleur Bros.,	4.06	
J. A. Sullivan,	10.01	
F. H. Brown,	31.75	

Murray Crafts,	27.00
Lyman Sanderson,	5.50
Lucien Moody,	5.56
Fred W. Bardwell,	3.00
Wm. G. Strippe,	7.20
R. A. Slowcombe,	7.62
E. R. Connelly,	70.09
L. E. Waite,	9.00

\$308.63

SUPERINTENDENT

Harold C. Bales, Salary,	43.20
C. D. Stiles, Salary,	203.94
C. D. Stiles, Expenses,	3.18
J. H. Pease, Truant Officer,	25.00

\$275.32

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

A. H. Beers,	50.00
J. A. Wood,	25.00
L. C. Sanderson,	25.00
Mrs. J. A. Wood, Census,	13.00

\$113.00

PROMOTION OF HEALTH

Dr. N. Holden,	\$62.50
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MISCELLANEOUS

C. B. Dolge Co., Disinfectants,	\$ 11.50
Irving Allis, Water Rent,	25.00
Amherst Gas Co.,	13.62
Franklin Forbush, Boiler Insp.	2.00
A. S. Lothrop,	8.25
Badger Fire Extinguisher Co.,	18.00
West Disinfectant Co.,	7.50
Geo. L. Beals, Insurance,,	174.75
Athletic Meet,	5.00

\$265.62

Superintendent's Report

To the School Committee of Whately:

I herewith submit my first report as Superintendent of the Whately schools. Having so recently come to this district, I hardly feel that I should make a detailed report at this time. I can however report on one thing that has claimed my attention since the first time that I examined a school register, I refer to the matter of attendance. The record at West Whately is the best and does not show excessive absence or tardiness. The returns as compiled at Whately Center are not quite as good and could be improved upon materially. East Whately shows an excessive and wholly unnecessary number of absences and tardinesses. Such a condition is deplorable for several reasons. First, the children are deprived of a large amount of schooling that should be theirs during the years preceding the age of fourteen or even sixteen years. A loss sustained during those years will not be made up because the tendency has proved to be toward leaving school as soon as possible in order to begin work. Second, the community suffers as a whole when an appreciable per cent. of its rising generation are un-

der-schooled. This result may not be seen today or tomorrow but it is sure to be felt in the long run. Third, the disadvantage under which teachers work when the attendance is irregular can not be overcome during the few weeks that the attendance may be good. It is unreasonable for parents to expect that results can be secured equal to those obtained in schools with regular attendance. The greatest trouble will come at the point where the pupil finishing the grade work attempts to take up the work of the high school. Investigation of this situation by your superintendent has borne out this fact.

School Legislation

For the information of the citizens of Whately and the public in general the following abstracts from the laws of Massachusetts are included in this report.

Registration of Minors

(Chapter 102, General Acts of 1916)

“The school committee of each city and town shall ascertain and record the names, ages and such other information as may be required by the board of education, of all children between five and seven years of age, of all children between seven and fourteen years of age, of all children between fourteen and sixteen years of age, and of all minors over sixteen years of age who cannot read at sight and write legibly simple sentences in the English language, residing in its city or town. Whoever, having under his control

a minor over five years of age, withholds information sought by a school committee or its agents under the provisions of this section or makes a false statement relative thereto, shall be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars. Attendance officers or the attendance department, under the direction of the school committee and superintendent of schools, shall have charge of the records required by this section, and shall be responsible for their completeness and accuracy. A card, as prescribed by the board of education, shall be kept for every child whose name is recorded under the provisions of this section. Principals, teachers and supervisory officers shall co-operate with attendance officers in the discharge of their duties under this act.

An Act Relative to Compulsory Education.

(Chapter 81, Acts of 1915).

“Every child between seven and fourteen years of age, every child under sixteen years of age who does not possess such ability to read, write and spell in the English language as is required for the completion of the fourth grade of the public schools of the city or town in which he resides, and every child under sixteen years of age who has not received an employment certificate as provided in this act and is not engaged in some regular employment or business for at least six hours per day or has not the written permission of the superintendent of schools of the city or town in which he resides to engage in profit-

able employment at home, shall attend a public school in said city or town or some other day school approved by the school committee, during the entire time the public schools are in session but such attendance shall not be required of a child whose physical or mental condition is such as to render attendance inexpedient or impracticable, or who is being otherwise instructed in a manner approved in advance by the superintendent of schools or the school committee. The superintendent of schools, or teachers in so far as authorized by said superintendent or by the school committee, may excuse cases of necessary absence for other causes not exceeding seven day sessions or fourteen half-day sessions in any period of six months.

“Every person having under his control a child as described (above) shall cause him to attend school as therein required and, if he fails for seven day sessions or fourteen half-day sessions within any period of six months while such control obtains, to cause such child so to attend school he shall, upon complaint by an attendance officer and conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not more than twenty dollars——”

Employment of Minors under Fourteen.

“No minor under fourteen years of age shall be employed or permitted to work in or about or in connection with any factory, workshop, manufacturing, mechanical or mercantile establishment, barber shop, bootblack stand or establishment, public stable, ga-

rage, brick or lumber yard, telephone exchange, telegraph or messenger office or in the construction or repair of buildings, or in any contract or wage earning industry carried on in tenement or other houses. No minor under fourteen years of age shall be employed at work performed for wage or other compensation, to whomsoever payable, during the hours when the public schools are in session or shall be employed at work before half past six o'clock in the morning or after six o'clock in the evening."

Employment of Minors under Sixteen

"No child between fourteen and sixteen years of age shall be employed or be permitted to work in, about or in connection with any factory, workshop, manufacturing, mechanical or mercantile establishment unless the person, firm or corporation employing such child procures and keeps on file accessible to the attendance officer of the city or town, to agents of the board of education, and to the state board of labor and industries or its authorized agents or inspectors, the employment certificate as hereinafter provided issued to such child, and keep a complete list of the names and ages of all such children employed therein conspicuously posted near the principal entrance of the building in which such children are employed: provided, however, that children who are over fourteen but under sixteen years of age shall be permitted to work in mercantile establishments on Saturdays between the hours of seven in the morning and six in the evening, without such certificate. On

termination of the employment of a child whose employment certificate is on file, said certificate shall be returned by the employer within two days after said termination to the office of the superintendent of schools from which it was issued."

Employment of Minors between Sixteen and Twenty-One.

"No child who is over sixteen and under twenty-one years of age shall be employed in a factory, workshop, manufacturing, mechanical or mercantile establishment unless his employer procures and keeps on file an educational certificate showing the age of the child and his ability or inability to read and write as hereinafter provided. Such certificates shall be issued by the person authorized by this act to issue employment certificates.

"The person authorized to issue such educational certificates shall, so far as is practicable, require the proof of age stated in section fifty-eight. He shall examine the child and certify whether or not he possesses the educational qualifications enumerated in section one of chapter fifty-four of the Revised Laws, as amended. Every such certificate shall be signed in the presence of the person issuing the same by the child in whose name it is issued."

Minors Under Sixteen (Chapter 831, Acts of 1913)*

"No minor under sixteen years of age shall be employed or permitted to work in operating or as-

sisting in operating any of the following machines: (1) circular or band saws, (2) wood shapers, (3) wood jointers, (4) planers, (5) picker machines or machines used in picking wool, cotton, hair or any other material, (6) paper-lace machines, (7) leather burnishing machines, (8) job or cylinder printing presses operated by power other than foot power, (9) stamping machines used in sheet metal and tinware or in paper or leather manufacturing or in washer and nut factories, (10) metal or paper cutting machines, (11) corner staying machines in paper box factories, (12) corrugating rolls such as are used in corrugated paper or in roofing, or washboard factories, (13) steam boilers, (14) dough bakes or cracker machinery of any description, (15) wire or iron straightening or drawing machinery, (16) rolling mill machinery, (17) power punches or shears, (18) washing or grinding or mixing machinery, (19) calender rolls in paper and rubber manufacturing or other heavy rolls driven by power, (20) laundering machinery, (21) upon or in connection with any dangerous electrical machinery or appliances, or near moving and dangerous belts, gears, etc., or on scaffolding, in heavy work in building trades, or in stripping, assorting, manufacturing or packing tobacco, or in tunnels, or in a public bowling alley, or in a pool or billiard room. Shall not operate elevators."

Minors Under Eighteen

"No minor under eighteen years of age shall be employed or permitted to work: (1) in or about blast

furnaces; (2) in the operation or management of hoisting machines; (3) in oiling or cleaning hazardous machinery in motion; (4) in the operation or use of any polishing or buffing wheel; (5) at switch tending; (6) at gate tending; (7) at track repairing; (8) as a brakeman, fireman, engineer, motorman or conductor upon a railroad or railway; (9) as a fireman or engineer upon any boat or vessel; (10) in operating motor vehicles of any description; (11) in or about establishments wherein gunpowder, nitro-glycerine, dynamite or other high or dangerous explosive is manufactured or compounded; (12) in the manufacture of white or yellow phosphorus or phosphorus matches; (13) in any distillery, brewery, or any other establishment where malt or alcoholic liquors are manufactured, packed, wrapped or bottled; (14) in that part of any hotel, theater, concert hall, place of amusement or other establishment where intoxicating liquors are sold. The provisions of this section shall not prohibit the employment of minors in drug stores."

Hours of Employment

(Under above conditions)

(Chapter 831, Acts of 1913)

"Children between 14 and 16 may work not more than 8 hours in any one day, 6 days in any one week and 48 hours in any one week, and may not work before 6.30 A. M., or after 6 P. M. (Time in compulsory attendance in a continuation school must be counted in hours of labor)."

“Boys 16 to 18; girls 16 to 21 may work not more than 10 hours in any one day, 54 in any one week, 6 days in any one week, and not before 5 A. M., or after 10 P. M., and in textile industries not after 6. P. M.”

Habitual Absentees.

(Chapter 46, Section 4, as amended by Chapter 330, Acts of 1903, and by Chapter 220, Acts of 1904).

“A child between seven and sixteen years of age who may be found wandering about in the streets or public places of any city or town, having no lawful occupation, habitually not attending school, and growing up in idleness and ignorance, shall be deemed to be an habitual absentee, and, unless placed on probation as provided in section 7, may, upon complaint by an attendance officer or any other person, and conviction thereof, if a boy, be committed to a county truant school, or to the Lyman school for boys, and, if a girl, to the state industrial school for girls; but if the girl be under twelve years of age shall be committed to the custody of the state board of charity, if they so request, for not more than two years.”

Habitual School Offenders.

(Chapter 46, Section 5, as amended by Chapter 330, Acts of 1903, and by Chapter 220, Acts of 1904.)

“A child under fourteen years of age who persistently violates the reasonable regulations of the school which he attends, or otherwise persistently mis-

behaves therein, so as to render himself a fit subject for exclusion therefrom, shall be deemed to be an habitual school offender, and, unless placed on probation as provided in section seven, may, upon complaint by an attendance officer and conviction thereof, if a boy, be committed to a county truant school, or to the Lyman school for boys, and, if a girl, to the state industrial school for girls; but if the girl be under twelve years of age she shall be committed to the custody of the state board of charity, if they so request, for not more than two years."

Conclusion.

The aim of every school system should be to have better schools year by year. No one person can be expected to produce best results single-handed. All must co-operate to the desired end—parents, citizens, teachers, committee, and superintendent.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD C. BALES,

Superintendent of Schools.

January 15, 1917.

SCHOOL STATISTICS OF WHATELY 1915—1916.*

Name	School	Grade	Total Enrolment	Aggregate Attendance	Average Attendance	Average Membership	Total Absence	Total Tardiness	Length of School Year	5 to 7	7 to 14	14 to 16
Sarah C. Harris	Center	5-9	29	3817	24.00	25.00	370	48	M D 8 8	B G 0 0	B G 12 12	B G 4 2
Mary T. Driscoll	"	1-4	46	5203.5	30.46	36.65	723½	60	8 8	8 14	11 14	0 0
Cecile F. Carpenter	East	5-9	29	3688.5	21.70	25.70	711	43	8 5	0 0	17 11	1 0
Rose McNaught	"	1-4	42	5514½	33.78	39 20	444	87	8 5	6 5	19 13	0 0
Fannie L. Hosmer	West	1-9	30	4272.5	25.53	27.04	187½	29	8 8	0 1	14 13	1 1
			176	22496	135.47	153.59	2436	267	8 7	14 20	73 63	6 3

*Compiled by Supt. C. D. Stiles.

Calendar.

Winter Term began	January 8, 1917.
Winter Term ends	March 23
Spring Term begins	April 9
Spring Term ends	June 8
Fall Term begins	September 4
Fall Term ends	December 21
Winter Term begins	January 7, 1918.

Report of Supervisor of Music

The work in music has followed the same general plan as in former years. Each grade is responsible for certain problems in time and tune, which being thus divided, presents few new ideas to any one class. Each grade is, however, expected to review and carry on all the work of the previous grades, and the grade teacher is expected to see that these points are thoroughly mastered.

The children throughout the town not only learn their songs with enthusiasm but are also interested in the technical details which make good song-singing possible.

Respectfully submitted,
BELLE T. BULLIS.

Report of School Physician

To the School Committee:

The close of the year finds our school buildings in the most satisfactory sanitary condition which has ever existed in the history of the town.

Teachers and parents have co-operated with the School Physician, the Board of Health and the School Committee in measures tending toward the preservation of the children's health, with favorable results.

It is a pleasing indication of advancement and education that a comprehension of the rudiments of public health and common welfare has evidently reached the minds of the few who occasionally have assumed an attitude of misguided antagonism toward the salutary operation of health regulations; for during the past year this attitude has been chiefly conspicuous by its absence.

During the epidemic of infantile paralysis, it was the fate of Whately to have one case, which was that of a child far below the school age.

It is well to bear in mind the fact that nothing is gained, while much may be lost, when parents, citizens not parents, or officials, become panic-stricken in the presence of a dreaded disease.

The accepted modern practice of the most complete health authorities is to continue school sessions when a contagious disease is discovered, thus rendering the inspection and supervision of the children practicable and the early checking of an impending epidemic probable; not to close the schools, turn the children loose to intermingle without competent observation, and thus invite and favor the progress of the invasion which we all desire to avoid.

N. HOLDEN, M. D.

School Physician.

